

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:)	
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Soichi Kuwahara)	
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Application No. 10/531,511)	
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Filed: February 7, 2006)	
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For: LIQUID EJECTOR AND METHOD FOR)	
EJECTING LIQUID)	
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RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

This amendment is being filed in response to the Office communication dated August 8, 2007. Please reconsider the application in view of the amendment and remarks presented below.

ELECTION OF CLAIMS

In response to the restriction requirement, applicant elects Group I, claims 1-7 for further examination.

In response to the species election requirement, applicant elects, Species A, the embodiment of Figures 7-14, and species (1), the liquid discharge apparatus which performs its function based on sensor inputs, and designates claim 3 as reading on that species.

Applicant reserves the right to file divisional applications covering the subject matter of the non-elected claims and/or to request rejoinder of non-elected claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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